GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the allocations made for implementation of the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) during each of the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken to provide adequate medical assistance to the mentally ill patients in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) Grants to State Governments are released on receipt of the complete proposals are from the State Governments. A list showing the funds released to the States/Union Territories during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 is annexed.

(b) Under National Mental Health Programme efforts are made to provide mental health as a part of general health system. In this regard, the Central Govt. supplements the State Govt. efforts through District Mental Health Programme, Strengthening of Psychiatric Wings of Medical Colleges/General Hospitals and Modernisation/Upgradation of Mental Hospitals to make them as therapeutic units. During 10th Plan District Mental Health Programme was expanded from 27 districts to 128 districts, 71 psychiatric wings of medical colleges/ Govt. hospitals were strengthened and 23 mental hospitals were modernized.